

Please enter the following new paragraph at page 11, after line 16 of the original specification as follows:

B² Figure 22a is a sectional front elevational view of a modified form of the shock absorber of Figure 12 in an extended state.

Please enter the following new paragraph at page 20, after line 27 as follows:

B³ The shock absorber of Figures 16 and 17 is depicted with two coil springs 60, 61 in Figure 17a. The coil spring first ends 60a, 61a are fixed with respect to the sleeve 31 by way of an annular end plate 62 fixed to the sleeve 31.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 24, line 11 with the following new paragraph:

B⁴ This configuration could also be applied to the twin piston rod configuration of Figures 12 and 13, with both the first and second annular cavities 135, 235 communicating with the respective piston sub-chambers 132, 232 through apertures 191. Such a configuration is depicted in Figure 22a.

In the Claims

Please amend claim 14 as follows:

B⁵ 14. (Amended) The shock absorber of claim 13 wherein said second annular cavity communicates with said second piston chamber, a cross-sectional area of said second annular cavity measured in a plane perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of said piston rod being substantially equal to a cross sectional area of said piston rod.